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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR	STAT
1. This memorandum is for information	only.

- 2. You might want to take this novel about Washington politics, ADVISE AND

  CONSENT, by Allen Drury to read while you are vacationing in Upstate New York. The

  book is receiving rave notices by the Press as indicated by the review attached

  herewith by Forrest Davis and one not quite as pro-Drury by Richard Dudman in the

  ST. LOUIS POST DISPATCH. Dan Kidney in the WASHINGTON STAT

  NEWS tells how the Press Club showed very unusual honor for Drury by giving him a

  standing ovation when he finished his talk on his book and on his ideas of a reporter
- 3. You will recall that Drury while a reporter on the WASHINGTON EVENING STAR contributed, on his own, articles to the PALO ALTO (California) TIMES and the WATERLOO (Iowa) COURIER. He was critical of CIA in these out-of-town columns. A letter from you to Ben McKelway, Editor of the STAR, brought back a reply from McKelway that the questions you raised were the ones that he would have raised had Drury submitted his articles to the STAR. Drury wrote to you regretting some of the data but then going on to state from sources on the Hill, he had cause to believe his other statements were accurate. Later he ran another out-of-town column stating that you had tried to get him fired for his criticism of CIA. Later he left the STAR and has since been employed by the NEW YORK TIMES.

in Washington.

4. Drury in my opinion is prejudiced against the CIA and should not ever cover any CIA story for the TIMES or for any other paper on which he is employed because of this bias. He has only one reference in this "novel" to CIA. On page 108 it states:

"Nearby the director of the FBI was chatting genially with the Secretary of Commerce and his wife, and in a bay window to their left, surrounded by the Ambassador of Lebanon and several miscellaneous princes from Saudi Arabia the Director of the Central Intelligence Agency and two of the primmer male members of his far-flung crew of motley misfits were passing the time of day."

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STANKEY J. GROGAN

cc: DDCI (w/o attach)

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